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THE AROC, OMPF AND OMPC GENES, USEFUL AS VACCINES

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May 12, 2003

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Arlington, VA 22313

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action mailed on December 12, 2002. A Petition for a two-month extension of time is submitted herewith.

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